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Page 17, line 3, after "thin", delete --(e.g., 0.010" maximum)--.

Page 21, line 19, after "the" insert --sound attenuating--.

Page 21, line 22, delete "resonator" and insert --sound attenuating--.

Page 21, line 26, delete "resonator" and insert --sound attenuating--.

Page 42, line 20; page 43, line 28; page 44, line 1; page 44, line 17; page 45, lines 2, 9, 14, 20, 21-22, and 26, change "Morocco" to read --Marocco-- (all occurrences).

## IN THE CLAIMS

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1. (Twice Amended) A catalytic converter and resonator combination device for use in an exhaust system of an internal combustion engine, whereby said device being disposed between an exhaust manifold and an exhaust tail pipe or an exhaust muffler, said device [comprising] consisting essentially of:

a canister for installing in the exhaust system of the internal combustion engine, said canister [having a longitudinal axis, and] including an inlet end having a substantially conical shape, a forward portion adjacent said inlet end, a rearward portion adjacent said forward portion, an outlet end having a substantially conical shape adjacent said rearward portion, a forward inner diameter, and a rearward inner diameter;

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